

January 24, 1974

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF RICHLAND) BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Petition of the Laurens Electric Coopera-)
tive, Inc., requesting approval of an) DOCKET NO. 16,988
increase in Water and Sewerage Rates for)
Joanna Village Subdivision in Laurens) ORDER NO. 17,351✓
County, South Carolina.)

TO: LAURENS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

The South Carolina Public Service Commission received a Petition from Laurens Electric Cooperative, Inc., requesting approval of an increase in Water and Sewerage Rates in Joanna Village Subdivision, Laurens County, South Carolina, a plat of which is on file with the Commission.

The Commission examined the Petition and ordered that a Public Hearing be held on December 12, 1973. Pursuant to the Notice duly given in accordance with provisions of law and rules and regulations of the Commission, a Public Hearing on this Petition was held on December 12, 1973. Testimony was received from those in support of the Petition. Company witnesses testified and submitted detailed exhibits related to all aspects of the Company's operation. No one appeared in opposition to the Petition.

An analysis of the Petition and exhibits show a Plant Investment of \$137,779.00 in the water and sewerage systems, which will serve 690 customers.

The Commission has carefully considered the Petition and after review of all the evidence filed in this proceeding, is of the opinion and so finds that the rate schedule as proposed in the Petition and shown below is fair and reasonable and should be approved. The Approved Water Rates are as follows:

APPROVED MONTHLY WATER RATES

First 500 Cubic Feet -----	\$.40 Per 100 Cubic Feet
Next 1,500 Cubic Feet -----	\$.36 Per 100 Cubic Feet
Next 2,000 Cubic Feet -----	\$.30 Per 100 Cubic Feet
Next 6,000 Cubic Feet -----	\$.24 Per 100 Cubic Feet
Over 10,000 Cubic Feet -----	\$.17 Per 100 Cubic Feet

Approved Non-Recurring Charges:

Water Meter Tap - \$175.00

Meter Charges for Installation by Laurens Electric Cooperative, Inc.

3/4" Meter -----	\$100.00
1" Meter -----	150.00
1½" Meter -----	200.00
2" Meter -----	225.00

Over 2" Meter - Reimbursement for Cost
of Installation

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APPROVED SEWERAGE RATES

Sewerage Charge - \$ 1.50 Per Month

Approved Non-Recurring Charges:

Tapping Fee ----- \$150.00

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That based upon the information submitted, the rates set forth above are hereby approved as of the date of this Order.

2. That the above rate schedule approved herein will produce additional Annual Revenues for the Company of approximately \$20,226.00 which will provide reasonable earnings on the Company's Net Plant Investment.

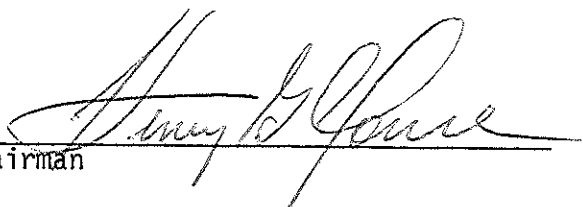
3. That should such rates not be placed into effect within three (3) months from the date of this Order, such rates as approved herein shall not be authorized without permission from the Commission.

4. All books and records for the Utility's water operation shall be maintained in accordance with the NARUC Uniform System of Accounts for Class A and B Water Utilities as adopted by this Commission.

5. All books and records for the Utility's sewerage operations shall be maintained in accordance with the NARUC Uniform System of Accounts for Class A and B Water Utilities, as adopted by the Commission, to the extent applicable as a guideline, until such time that a Uniform System of Accounts is adopted for Sewerage Utilities.

6. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect until further orders of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Director-Administrative Services

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